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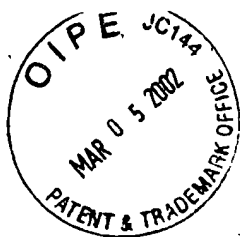
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- U.S. Patent No. 5,089,952;
- U.S. Patent No. 5,121,493;
- U.S. Patent No. 5,701,467;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,067,552;
- U.S. Patent No. 6,226,641 B1;
- Japanese Patent Abstract JP 02001034619A; and
- Andrew M. Liao, "Self-adjusting Data Structures: Use Self-adjusting Heuristics to Improve the Performance of your Applications", Dr. Dobb's Journal, pgs. 1-9.

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